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Ms. Donna R. Searcy, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street N.W. - Room 222
Washington, DC 20554Re: PR Docket No. 92-235

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Dear Ms. Searcy:

The Cabarrus County Chief's Association would like to go on record to oppose the rule change to require all radios in the 150 MHZ range to have a closer tolerance level. This action would cost the public agencies a great deal of money. It would cause wide spread problems both for paid and volunteer departments across the board.

This organization sees this move both too costly and very poorly timed for the Fire Service, and EMS organizations to overcome without great expense and difficulty. Just when many departments are beginning to overcome some of the federal regulations coming from OSHA then the FCC decides to get into the act and cause wide spread radio replacement.

The tolerance level reduction that will increase the level of channels available will also cause wide spread interference if certain frequencies are issued within the area of 30 kilohertz to a certain frequency.

There is enough interference on the present frequencies without closing the gap on the MHZ range. By decreasing the range wide spread problems would occur for the Emergency Services Field. We hope the FCC will look strongly at other areas to solve the problem of not enough frequencies instead of causing other problems on the present system.

Respectfully submitted,

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